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Grant Applications For The Federal Victims Of Crime Act Will Be Available In May

Funding will benefit programs that provide direct services to victims of violent crime

FRANKFORT, Ky. (April 17, 2019) – Kentucky Justice Secretary John Tilley announced today that applications will be available May 3 for obtaining grants under the federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA).

Programs that offer direct services to victims of violent crime may apply for the funds. Applications are due by June 15, and awards are scheduled to be announced in October.

The VOCA program provides a range of services to crime victims, including crisis intervention and follow-up, therapy, group counseling, information and referral, court advocacy, and assistance with victim compensation claims.

Eligible applicants include public agencies and nonprofit programs such as domestic violence shelters, child advocacy centers, rape crisis centers, prosecutorial and crisis intervention programs, and other advocacy programs that provide direct services to crime victims. The application offers additional information on which services qualify.

All applications must be submitted online via the Kentucky Justice Electronic Grants Management System (eGMS). New applicants are encouraged to establish an account and become familiar with the system well in advance of the due date. Applicants should also note that validating a new user account requires 48 to 72 hours.

Assistance with the application process may be obtained by contacting the Kentucky Justice Cabinet's grants management staff at askgmb@ky.gov.

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